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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Robert H. Blick, et al.

Title: ENHANCEMENT OF  
FABRICATION YIELDS OF  
NANOMECHANICAL DEVICES  
BY THIN FILM DEPOSITION

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 22, 2005, imposing a restriction requirement on the above-referenced application, Applicants provisionally elected the claims of Group II, Claims 1-20 and 26-44, for initial examination, and request reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement for reasons discussed below.

Applicants believe no fee is due for this filing. However, should any fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fee in connection with this submission to Deposit Account No. 50-2350. A duplicate copy of this Response is enclosed for such purposes.

**REMARKS**

The Office Action of June 22, 2005 imposed a restriction requirement between Claims 21-25 (Group I), drawn to a semiconductor device, and Claims 1-20 and 26-44 (Group II), drawn to a process of making a semiconductor device. Applicants have provisionally elected Claims 1-20 and 26-44.